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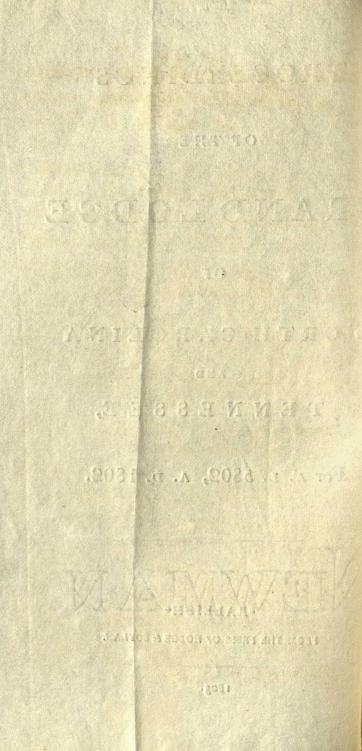
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For A. L. 5802, A. D. 1802.

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AGREEABLY to a notice of the Most Worshipful WILLIAM POLK, Grand Master of Masons, the Grand Lodge of North-Carolina and Tennessee, convened in their Lodge-room in the City of Raleigh, on the evening of Thursday the 9th of December, A. L. 5802, A. D. 1802, when were present,

The Most Worshipful William Polk, Grand Master.

R. w. Gen. Montfort Stokes, G. s. w.

R. W. Doctor Nathaniel Alexander, G. J. W. pro tem.

R. w. Robert Williams, Grand Secretary.

R. w. William Boylan, Grand Treasurer.

Brother Thomas Rogers, c. s. D. pro tem.

Brother William Davenport, G. J. D. pro tem.

Brothers Thomas Pound and John Wilson, G. T.

Member---Brother Doctor Nathaniel Alexander.

Visitors---Brothers Edmund Jones of Wilkes County, Allen M'Lellan and Jacob Gaster of Moore County. Representatives from the respective subordinate Lodges es appeared, produced their credentials and took their seats, to wit:

Royal White Heart, No. 2. Halifax---Brothers Gen. Stephen W. Carney, Baffett Stith and Matthew C. Whitaker.

Johnston Caswell, No. 10. Warrenton—Brother His Excellency James Turner, Governor, Captain-General & Commander in Chief of the State of North-Carolina.

Panfophia, No. 25. Moore County—Brother Robert Williams.

Davie Glafgow, No. 26. Greene county---Brother Hymrick Hooker.

Mount Moria, No. 27. Iredell county—Brother Gen. Montfort Stokes.

Columbia, No. 28. Wayne county-Brother Doctor Neegus.

Phalanx, No. 31. Charlotte, Mecklenburg county—Brother Doctor Nathaniel Alexander.

Stokes, No. 32. Cabarrus county---Brother Doctor Nathaniel Alexander.

Unanimity, No. 34. Rockford, Surry county—Brothers Thomas Rogers and Robert Williams.

William R. Davie, No. 37. Lexington, Rowan coun. ty----Brother Gen. Montfort Stokes.

Rifing Sun, No. 38. Morganton---Brothers William

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Tennessee, No. 2. of the State of Tennessee, No. 41.

Knoxville, in the State of Tennessee—Brother Robert
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Refolved, That a Committee be appointed to enquire and report to the next meeting of this grand annual communication, what fums are due by the feveral fubordinate Lodges, and adjust with such as may make application what sums ought to be deducted if any from their accounts on the Treasurer's books. Whereupon the most worshipful Grand Master appointed Brothers Gen. Montfort Stokes, Doctor Nathaniel Alexander, and Robert Williams, as members to compose this committee.

The Grand Lodge adjourned, &c.

SUNDAY, December 12, A. L. 5802, A. D. 1802.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment, when were prefent,

The Most Worshipful William Polk, Grand Master.

The Honourable John Louis Taylor, one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity, Deputy

Grand Master.

R. W. Gen. Montfort Stokes, G. s. W.

R. w. His Excellency James Turner, Efq. Governor, Captain-General and Commander in Chief in and over the State, G. J. w. pro tem.

R. w. Robert Williams, Grand Secretary.

Brother Thomas Rogers, G. s. D. pro tem.

Brother William Davenport, G. J. D. pro tem.

Brothers Thomas Pound and John Wilson, Grand
Tylers.

Members---Doctor Nathaniel Alexander, The Honorable Stephen Cabarrus, Speaker of the House of Commons and John M. Benford, Esq.

Visitor-Brother William Hill, of the City of Raleigh.

Representatives.

Royal White Heart, No. 2. Halifax—Brother Gen. Stephen W. Carney, Baffett Stith and Matthew C. Whitaker.

St. John, No. 3. Newbern-Brother James Rhodes.

Johnston Caswell, No. 10. Warrenton—His Excellency James Turner, Esq. Governor, Captain-General and Commander in Chief, &c.

American George, No. 17. Murfreesborough-Brothers James Jones and Abner Perry.

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Knoxville, in the State of Tennessee-Brother Robert
Williams.

Greenville, No. 43. Greenville, in the State of Tennessee-Brother Robert Williams.

The Lodge was opened in due form.

Election of Officers.

The Grand Lodge proceeded to the Election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year, when were duly elected and installed in due and antient form,

The Honorable John Louis Taylor, one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity, Grand Master.

The Honorable John Hall, one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity, Senior Grand Warden. o gradest Meckleshor of the wasterle

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Nathaniel Alexander, A. M. Junior Grand Warden. Robert Williams, Attorney at Law, Grand Secretary. William Boylan, Printer, Grand Treasurer. Since M.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master did then appoint a temperature of the best Williams.

Brigadier-General Montford Stokes, Clerk to one of the Supreme Courts of this State, and to the Legislature, Deputy Grand Master. 22 017 and pastin

The Honorable Edward Jones, Solicitor-General of the State, Grand Senior Deacon. 2.07 35 Reals P

Robert Cochran, Efq. Grand Junior Deacon. John C. Osborne, M. D. Grand Marshall.

The Rev. T. P. Irwin, A. M. Grand Chaplain.

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The Committee to whom was referred the investigation of claims which the respective Lodges may have upon the Grand Lodge, relative to their annual dues, Officers for the epiding hear, when were duly , tropper

That the Representatives of the Royal White Heart Lodge, No. 2. Halifax, and your Committee have fully discussed the claim which the faid Lodge have to number one in preference to the St. John Lodge in the

town of Wilmington. It appears from a resolution of the Grand Lodge, passed 25th June, A. L. 5789, in which the Royal White Heart Lodge was represented by Brother Lunsford Long, that the dispute of the claim to priority of number between the Royal White Heart Lodge of Halifax, and St. John of Wilmington, was possed upon the express condition that the proofs in aid of their respective claims should be produced at the then next grand annual communication to be held at Fayetteville; and that no further time would be given for the investigation of that subject.

It appears by another resolution of the Grand Lodge, passed 21st December, A. L. 5789, that the Lodges failing to produce proofs of the date of their respective charters agreeably to the requisition contained in the preceding resolution, should have no further claim to precedence, but should take rank according to the rotation in which they apply. It does not appear to your Committee that any further proceedings in regard to the claims of the St. John Lodge in Wilmington, and the Royal White Heart in Halisax, was had before the Grand Lodge at that time or at any time since. It further appears by a subsequent resolution of the Grand Lodge, passed 9th December, A. L. 5790, that the several Lodges were directed to receive their Charters as soon as convenient from the Grand Lodge of North-

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Carolina, numbered according to the order in which they appear on record; and it also appears that at that time the Right Worshipful Royal White Heart Lodgeof Halifax stood No. 2.

From these considerations, your Committee are of opinion the Right Worshipful Royal White Heart Lodge of Halifax, has no claim to indulgence on the score of its number; as the claim of the faid Lodge, if it was good, had been fuffered to lapfe through inattention. But as this claim however, infufficiently supported, has been the cause of some misunderstanding between the Grand Lodge and the Royal White Heart Lodge; and has caused the said Lodge to neglect the appointment of Representatives, and to fulfil all the necessary duties both towards the Grand Lodge and its own members; and in confideration that the Brothers who now compose the Royal White Heart Lodge in Halifax, are few in number; and the most of those have been admitted fince these small irregularities began; and on the further confideration that the Delegates from the Royal White Heart Lodge are defirous to take a Charter and finally fettle all causes of uneafiness or misapprehension; Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution : A radiance in ballet ashol

Refolved, That the Representatives from Royal White Heart Lodge in Halifax, do receive a Charter in behalf

of the faid Lodge; and be chargeable for their annual dues from the 27th day of December, A. L. 5800; and that all claims for annual dues previous to that time be cancelled on the Treasurer's books accordingly.....

Submitted. NATHANIEL ALEXANDER, Chairman.

The Grand Lodge taking the foregoing report into consideration, resolved unanimously that they do concur therewith.

The Grand Lodge then adjourned.

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MONDAY, December 13, A. L. 5802, A.D. 1802.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment, when were prefent,

The Most Worshipful The Honorable John Louis Taylor, Grand Master.

- R. w. Gen. Montfort Stokes, Deputy Grand Master-
- R w. The Honorable John Hall, G. S. W.
- R w. Doctor Nathaniel Alexander, c. J w.
- R. w. Robert Williams, Grand Secretary.
- R. w William Boylan, Grand Treasurer.

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Members-The Right Worshipful William Polk,

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The Most Worshipful the Grand Master laid before this Grand Lodge communications received respectively from the Grand Lodges of New-York, Connecticut, New-Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Rhode-Island, New-Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, South-Carolina and Georgia; which were ordered to be filed among the Archives.

Whereas it has been represented to this Grand Lodge that there is an article in the bye-laws of the Rifing Sun Lodge, No. 38. Morganton, excluding from the walls of that Lodge, any person who does not profess himself attached to the principles and tenets of the Christian Religion: And whereas Masonry is not confined alone to the tenets of the Christian Religion, but embraces

the morals and virtues of all religions around the globe; therefore be it resolved that the Secretary of this Grand Lodge, write to the officers and members of the said Rising Sun Lodge, No. 38. requesting and requiring them to expunge from their bye-laws, the said article, for the reasons above stated.

Refolved unanimoufly, That the present most worshipful Grand Master be requested to present the unanimous thanks of this Grand Lodge to the Right Worshipful William Polk, late Grand Master, for his able and faithful services as such during his administration.

The most worshipful the Grand Master laid before this Grand Lodge, reports from Gentlemen who were appointed to visit vice the Grand Master, the several subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge. In these reports some of the Lodges were highly approbated; when others were reported unfavorably of. These reports were ordered to be filed.

Ordered That a notice iffue to Royal Edwin Lodge, No. 5. Windfor—St. John, No. 13. Duplin county—Washington, No. 15 Beaufort county—St. Tammany, No. 16 Martin county, to appear by Delegates at the next meeting of this Grand Lodge, and shew cause if any they have why the said Lodges shall not be declared to be in a state of demise, according to the 2d Section of the 10th Article of our Constitution.

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Ordered That the Secretary of this Grand Lodge write to the feveral Grand Lodges throughout the United States, requesting them to instruct their subordinate Lodges not to initiate as a mason, any person an inhabitant of this State, without strict enquiry into their characters; as feveral inconveniencies have arisen by fuch persons going from this State to other States and there becoming masons, and then returning to this State and claiming the benefits of malonry. compeled the

Resolved, That the subordinate Lodges be requested hereafter not to raife any candidate from one grade to another, until such candidate can work with expertness through each part and point of the antient Land-marks of Masonry in the interior grades: unless in cases of em. ergency.

Refolved, That the most worthipful the Grand Master be requested to appoint such number of persons as he may think proper, not exceeding three, to represent this Grand Lodge in a convention of Masons, which may be holden in the City of Washington, for the purpose of forming a superintending Grand Lodge of the United States of America, agreeably to a proposition made by the Grand Lodge of South-Carolina, and ac-

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coded to by a resolution of this Grand Lodge at their grand annual communication of December 11th A. L. 5801. That the faid Delegates when appointed, be possessed of full and ample powers to form such a constitution as they may conceive most conducive to the prosperity of Masonty, and for the better government of the fame throughout the United States: Provided the powers hereby granted shall not be exercised by the faid Delegates until two-thirds of the Grand Lodges of the United States adopt the measure herein recommended, and to real and carefully from one g.bednem

Resolved surther, That the most worshipful the Grand Mafter be requested to commission the Delegates by him appointed under the great feal of Masonry, and therein express the powers intended to be given.

Refolved further, That the Secretary of this Grand Lodge be directed to inform all the Grand Lodges in the United States of these resolutions, and to request their attention and mission of Delegates to the grand convention aforefaid.

The Grand Lodge adjourned fine die.

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A List of Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

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61 Wilkesbarre, Luzerne Co. 62 Reading

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65 Great Bend of Susquehannah, Luzerne Co. 66 Robinson Township Berks

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69 Chester. 70 Tyoga Point. Luzerne Co.

71 Orange Lodge, Philad. 72 Philadelphia Lodge, ditto 73 The French Lodge, L' Amenite do.

74 In the Town of Concord, Franklin County 75 Pugh Town, Chefter Co.

76 At the town of Newville, Cumberland County

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78 At the Old Mingo Towns, in the N. W. Territory 79 Chambersburg, Franklin 80 Unity Lodge, Salisbury Township, Lancaster Co.

81 Hiram Lodge, Germantown

82 Milford, in Wayne Co.

83 St. Tammany s Lodge, in Upper Smithfield, Wayne.

84 Somerset, Somerset Co. 85 Alexandria, Huntingdon

County

87 Les Freres at the Cape, Reunis, in the I-land of St Domingo

Constituted since the last Annual Communication.

No. 88. Lodge La Concorde, at St. Mark in the Island of St. Domingo

89 Lodge es Freres Sincerement Reunis, at Aux Cayes du fond de L'Isse a'Vaches in the Island of St. Domingo. 90 Lodge La Candeur, at New Orleans

91 Columbia Lodge, in the city of Philadelphia

92 Union Lodge, Union Town, Fayette County.

A Copy,

ROBERT WILLIAMS, Grand Secretary.

A List of Rejections, Suspensions and Expulsions, from the Grand Lodge of Maryland.

REJECTION. Benjamin Morrison, No. 32.

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EXPULSIONS.

William Moncur, William Savage, Joseph Brown, Robert Spencer,

No. 3.

N B — Agreeably to a refolve of the Grand Lodge during this present communication, the expulsion of Robert Spencer was taken off, and he is considered as a suspended member

S. VINCENT, G. SEC'RY.

A list of Expulsions and Rejections, as communicated to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

EXPULSIONS.

Thomas Cash, Lodge No. 2, Philadelphia.

Matthew Watson, Geo. Ritche, Thos. Dennis, John Hindman, Wm. Harrison, John Cress, Joseph English, Blackall W. Ball, Augustus Genther, Thomas S. Carmalt, Obediah Stockdon, Samuel B. Brown, Clement Garrison, house carpenter; John Ridgway, Louis Buickle, No. 19, Philadelphia, (for non-payment of dues.) William Robinson, Esq. No. 52, Philadelphia. Joseph Anderson, 56, Carlisle.

Joseph Z. Collings, Richard Lambert, Wm. White, Ddward Scott, Peter Johnson, No. 59, Philadelphia. Patrick Dougherty, Wm. Glenn, John S. Malone, No. 71, Philadelphia.

John Armstrong, 84, Somerset

John Erwine, late a member of Lodge No. 21, at Harrifburg, and late Master thereof; and from which Lodge he withdrew the 3d December, 1800, and removed to Winchester Virginia, was on the 21st December, 1801, expelled by the G. L. from the Society of Masons, for a breach of his Masonic obligations in the highest degree culpable.

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REJECTIONS OF CANDIDATES, viz.

William Read, House Carpenter, No. 9, Philadelphia
Paul Dittenhaven,
21, Harrisburg,
William Clark, Carpenter,
33, New-Castle.
Christian Jacobs,
67, Philadelphia.
John Klofke, John Stief, Baker,
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Do.

Brothers Joseph Hitchcock and John Marey, who were heretofore expelled by Lodge No. 61, held at Wilksbarre, for non-payment of dues, have by faid Lodge, with the approbation of the Grand Lodge, been re-instated in their full standing among Masons and as Members of said Lodge, No. 61.

A LIST of Expulsions communicated to the Grand Lodge by the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, since the last Annual Communication, viz.

Richard Asbury, Fidelity, No. 7, Halifax, 7th Regiment of foot.

John Lynch, Chester, No. 9, Chester.

John Van Winckle, jun. Annapolis Royal, No. 25, at Annapolis Royal.

IN GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Philadelphia, Tuefday 23d June, Anno Lucis, 5801.

of Athol Lodge, No. 7, Lucia, Jamaica, was read, it communicated that MOSES LEVY, a Jew, near fix

tet, well proportioned and a good looking man.—
(UTHBERT POTTS, a fquat, well proportioned man, by trade a Sadler, about five feet eight inches high; and ALEXANDER M'CALLUM, an officer in the Excise office there, a thin man and much poxpitted in the face, about five feet seven or eight inches high, should be guarded against in case of their making their appearance amongst us, they being imposters. Brother Grand Secretary was directed to communicate the same to the different Lodges."

A Copy,

ROBERT WILLIAMS, Grand Secretary.



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